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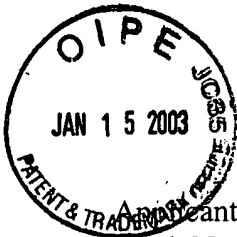
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 17, 2002, please enter this Response in the above-identified patent application.

In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning page 16, line 6, with the following rewritten paragraph:

Referring now to Figs. 3A and 3B, the game displays three selectable selections or masked numbers 116, namely, the "X," "Y" and "Z" selections or masked numbers 116. The selections or masked numbers 116 illustrated generally on the screen 130, as well as other inputs and indicators, preferably contain indicia that relate to a theme of the gaming device. The selections or masked numbers 116 hide numbers or digits that are revealed and become part of the player's award. That is, the player's award is based on the order of numbers or digits associated with the selections or revealed when the masked numbers are unmasked. For purposes of this application, "selections" and "masked numbers" are used interchangeably.